



MEN'S BASKETBALL 2011-12

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PRESIDENTS' ATHLETIC CONFERENCE (PAC) 2012 MEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT February 20-25, 2012 - Campus sites

PAC TOURNAMENT FIRST ROUND GAME - 2/20/12 **First Round "Play-In" Game - New Wilmington, Pa.** **#9 Waynesburg 63, #8 WESTMINSTER 57**

Despite going just 1-15 in PAC regular season play, Waynesburg rallied from a 24-23 halftime deficit to upset the Titans and post the victory in the first-ever PAC "play-in" first round tournament game. The Yellow Jackets advanced behind a balanced scoring attack led by junior G **Ben Altmeyer (Pittsburgh, PA/Shaler H.S.)** with 12 points, while the other four WU starts each bucketed nine points, including junior G/F **Aaron Cromwell (Fairchance, PA/Albert Gallatin H.S.)**, who also dished out four assists. For Westminster, sophomore G **Anthony Thomas (New Castle, PA/Union H.S.)** led all scorers with 27 points on 10-of-17 shooting from the field, while freshman **Ben Donlow (Poland, OH/Poland Seminary H.S.)** added 18 markers in the loss.

PAC TOURNAMENT QUARTERFINALS - 2/21/12 **Quarterfinal #1 - Greenville, Pa.** **#7 Washington & Jefferson 91, #2 THIEL 89**

The PAC men's quarterfinals started off with a huge upset, as Washington & Jefferson led by as many as 13 points (72-59) with 6:16 to play before holding off a late Thiel rally to advance to the semifinal round. The Presidents, who shot 57 percent (30-of-53) from the field in the contest, had five players score in double figures led by junior G **Zach Bellhy (McDonald, PA/Fort Cherry H.S.)** with a game-high 23 markers. Freshman G **Andy Carter (North Huntingdon, PA/Norwin H.S.)** added 20 points and a team-best nine rebounds for W&J. The Tomcats were led by junior F **Blair Rozenblad (Youngstown, OH/Kennedy Catholic H.S.)** with a team-high 21 points and game-high 16 rebounds. Senior G **Devon Adans (Philadelphia, PA/George Jr. Republic H.S.)** added 19 markers in the loss.

Quarterfinal #2 - Crestview Hills, Ky. **#3 THOMAS MORE 82, #6 Geneva 56**

Geneva, making its first-ever appearance in the PAC Men's Basketball Tournament, kept things close in the opening period and trailed by just eight (39-31) at the half. The GTs refused to fold and trailed by just four points (58-54) with 8:19 to play, but were outgunned 26-2 by Thomas More the rest of the way. For TMC, senior C **Colt Stafford (Groveport, OH/Bishop Hartley H.S.)** led the way with a team-high double-double of 19 points and 12 boards, while junior F **Phil Feinberg (Tempe, AZ/Corona Del Sol H.S.)** added 17 markers. For Geneva, senior F/C **Lambros Svingos (Huntington, WV/Huntington H.S.)** and senior F **Keynon Jackson (White Plains, NY/Art & Design H.S.)** each recorded 14 points in defeat.

Quarterfinal #3 - Latrobe, Pa. **#4 SAINT VINCENT 71, #5 Grove City 64**

The homestanding Bearcats held off a pesky Wolverine squad, leading by just 30-28 at the half and holding a narrow second half margin before finally putting the game away with free throws in the closing minute. Senior F **Tauvon Pettiford (Baltimore, MD/Calvert H.S.)** led the SVC offensive attack with 21 points on 10-of-14 shooting from the field, while senior G **Dennis Bassich (Silver Spring, MD/Einstein H.S.)** tallied 17 points for the victors. For Grove City, senior G **Brett Watson (Wexford, PA/Pine-Richland H.S.)** led all scorers with 23 points in the loss, while classmate **Kris Verderber (Chagrin, Falls, OH/Kenston H.S.)** was the team's only other double-digit scorer with 13 points while grabbing a team-high seven rebounds.

Quarterfinal #4 - Bethany, W.Va. **#1 BETHANY 82, #9 Waynesburg 69**

The top-seeded Bison advanced to the semifinals with a sloppy win over the feisty Yellow Jackets, who were playing their second tournament game in as many nights. Bethany led Waynesburg 36-30 at the half, then slowly built on that lead in the second period en route to the final 13-point margin. Five BC player recorded double-figure scoring totals, with junior F **Nick Wilcox (Venetia, PA/Peters Township H.S.)** with team-high totals of 21 points and 10 boards, while senior F **British Alexander (Dayton, OH/Trotwood Madison H.S.)** added adouble-double with 15 points and 10 caroms. For the Yellow Jackets, freshman F **Jacob Fleegle (Jenners-town, PA/North Star H.S.)** recorded a team-best 17 points in the contest.

PAC TOURNAMENT SEMIFINALS - 2/23/12 **Semifinal #1 - Bethany, W.Va.** **#1 BETHANY 82, #7 Washington & Jefferson 69**

Defending PAC champion Bethany had its hands full with the upset-minded Presidents. W&J battled the Bison close early, trailing by just four points (43-39) at the half and taking a 50-49 lead with 13:51 to play. However, BC outscored W&J 33-19 the rest of the way to clinch hosting rights for Saturday's PAC title contest. For the victors, junior F **Nick Wilcox (Venetia, PA/Peters Township H.S.)** led the offense with a game-high 29 points on 10-of-16 accuracy from the field, while junior G **James Barton (Bethel Park, PA/Bethel Park H.S.)** added 21 points on five three-pointers. For the Presidents, junior Zach Bellhy (McDonald, PA/Fort Cherry H.S.) posted a team-high 23 points including surpassing the 1,000-point plateau for his collegiate career. Freshman **Andy Carter (North Huntingdon, PA/Norwin H.S.)** added 17 markers for Washington & Jefferson.

Semifinal #2 - Crestview Hills, Ky. **#3 THOMAS MORE 75, #4 Saint Vincent 70**

The homestanding Saints used a second-half comeback to eliminate the Bearcats and advance to the PAC title game for the second time in three years. Saint Vincent came out strong early and took a 35-32 advantage into intermission. Trailing 61-59 with 6:06 to play, Thomas More took control by virtue of a 16-4 to take a 75-65 lead in the final minute. TMC was paced offensively by junior F **Phil Feinberg (Tempe, AZ/Corona Del Sol H.S.)** who recorded team-high high totals of 25 points and 10 boards, while senior C **Colt Stafford (Groveport, OH/Bishop Hartley H.S.)** added 21 markers. For Saint Vincent, senior G **Dennis Bassich (Silver Spring, MD/Einstein H.S.)** bucketed a game-high 26 points on five three-pointers, while junior G **Chris Klimchock (Greensburg, PA/Greensburg Salem H.S.)** added 19 points and a game-best six assists.

PAC TOURNAMENT FINALS - 2/25/12 - Bethany, W.Va. **#1 BETHANY 58, #3 Thomas More 53**

Defending PAC champion Bethany jumped out to a 20-point lead (39-19) early in the second half, then held off a late Thomas More rally to capture its second straight league title. The Saints had the ball down three (54-51) in the closing seconds, but Bethany junior G **Reece Mabery (Natrona Heights, PA/Highlands H.S.)** made a key steal and then knocked down four free throws in the final 16 seconds to clinch the win. Mabery paced BC with team-high totals of 16 points and five steals, while sophomore F **Leslie Addy (Columbia, MD/St. Vincent Pallotti H.S.)** added 15 markers. For the Saints, senior C **Colt Stafford (Groveport, OH/Bishop Hartley H.S.)** recorded a team-best 15 points, while sophomore G **Spencer Berlekamp (Cincinnati, OH/Kings H.S.)** added 11.

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